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THE COMET.

The arrival of the comet at its perihelion on the 13th inst., gives a new turn to its history, which will be steadily watched by its many admirers. The great meteor is now about one-third nearer the sun than we are, or about sixty millions of miles from the fiery orb. The effect of this approach to the sun is necessarily great in the analysis of the cometary matter by solar heat and the vaporization of the nucleus.

The only explanation that has been given for the apparent contraction of comets as they are perihelioned is that they are partly evaporated by the heat and the cometary cloud is converted into invisible cometary mist. The whole mass of Halley's comet, in 1835-6, was thus converted into invisible gas, and afterwards, on cooling, was condensed so as to become again apparent. The change which the great comets undergo from their near advance toward the sun is one of the most interesting points of investigation in terrestrial physics; for from what we know of the powerful agency of aqueous vapor on our planet we may not unphilosophically conclude that the cometary vapor, expanding over millions of miles in space, plays for the time being an important part in the distribution of solar heat through the solar system. Every one has observed on an intensely hot summer day what a boon a small fleecy cloud flying overhead is to the pedestrian in greeting him from the rays above. If condensed such a cloud would probably not furnish water enough to moisten a handkerchief, but the vaporous particles are potential in arresting the downward pouring flood of solar radiation. We know that the water of the tropical ocean, when converted into invisible vapor, occupies between sixteen and seventeen hundred times its original volume. This is, however, only an equatorial temperature of from eighty-five to ninety degrees Fahrenheit—a few degrees less, comparatively. But in the vaporization of comets when at the perihelion a temperature ranging from five thousand to twenty-five thousand times that of an equatorial sun, is brought to bear upon the cometary matter.

The inconceivable attenuation and expansion due to such thermometric extremes can be faintly indicated only by immense cometary clouds, stretching over many millions of miles in interplanetary space and serving to divert or retard or stop the tides of solar heat. It would, therefore, not appear remarkable should accurate research hereafter prove that comets have an important influence on the climate and weather of the season. Such has been the world's belief for ages, and though modern science, with its inconceivable resources, sweeps away all that is old, may reject the thought, mature results may confirm it. Should the perihelioned comet of 1874 exert this influence, as some think it has done already, the effect will be most marked, perhaps, in reducing the July thermometric mean. The comet of Coggia will, now that it has made its closest approach to the sun, rapidly pay its respects to us. According to the reliable comparison of Astronomer Hind the great meteor will be nearest the earth on the night of July 22. It will then be less than one-third of our distance from the sun, or within thirty millions of miles of our globe.—N. Y. Herald.

THE PAPAL ANNIVERSARY.—On the 13th of the month the Pope attained the age of eighty years. On the 15th of June, 1840, in the Chapel of the Quirinal, he was elected Supreme Pontiff in the Holy Roman Church, and on the 21st he was crowned with the triple tiara.

It is said to be the custom for the Cardinals at each enthronement of a Pope to address him the formula "Annus Petri nunc vivit." "Thou shalt see the years of Peter." According to tradition, St. Peter was for twenty-five years Bishop of Rome, and was then crucified with St. Paul under Nero, their heads downward, and buried in the Ostian way. Others, however, contend that there is no proof that St. Peter was ever in Rome, and others still that he never held the office of chief bishop. How ever that may be, other Popes have nearly approached the years of Peter. The illustrious Pius VII. reigned for over twenty-three years, but Pius IX. alone has exceeded the quarter of a century already by three years. His reign though chequered, and at times tragic, has not been altogether disastrous. Pius, whom we call as much as the seventh Pius, whom Napoleon I. held a prisoner at Fontenbleau, and who died peacefully in Rome. We may apply to Pius Nono the eloquent words of Cardinal Wiseman in his "Recollections of the Last Four Popes," relative to Pius VII: "Far beyond all these extraneous glories which shed an ennobling splendor around the old age and waning pontificate of Pius VII., was the steady and unvarying love and veneration of his subjects. Not a murmur jarred upon his ear, among the benedictions which fatherly tenderness to all. One may add if there be an instance in history, where the judgment of posterity is less likely to reverse the verdict of contemporaries."

Among Protestants Pius the Ninth is much respected. Personally, he is one of the most venerable and genial of mankind. We shall not forget that he was the only foreign prince who recognized Confederate nationality. The Pontificate has been marked by tremendous events.—Lynch. News.

WELSH EXPERIENCE.—A young man named Samuel Welch had a rather novel experience in Newbury yesterday, an account of which is given in the Telegraph. It seems that the young man was passing through South William street, when he was struck by a heavy stone which came from the roof of a building. He was thrown to the ground, and was so badly injured that he was unable to get up. He was taken to the hospital, and is now lying there. The stone was found to have come from the roof of a building which was being repaired. The owner of the building is now being investigated.

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sep 23-1f

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feb 12
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je 8

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je 3

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je 13

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je 5

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je 17

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je 17

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the same.

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same on or before the 15th day of July next,

shall forfeit and pay five dollars (\$5) and costs
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je 16-1f
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Commissioner of Accounts.

R. A. SINCLAIR,

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the same, with the assurance on my part of up-
right and liberal dealings, and the guarantee of

giving full satisfaction in all cases to all my cus-
tomers.

je 25
S. DEALHAM.